

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Does the gentleman from Wisconsin insist on his point of order?

POINT OF ORDER

Mr. OBEY. Mr. Speaker, we have had virtually no time to understand what the content of this resolution is; but as I read it, I would make a point of order against the amendment on germaneness grounds because the resolution adheres to a December 21 delimiting date, whereas the instructions in the proposed amendment refers to matters outside of the time period in question, and I will, therefore, suggest that the motion is not in order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Does any other Member wish to be heard on the point of order?

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I will just speak on the point of order.

Mr. Speaker, the motion to recommit that I was about to present is quite simple. The motion will ensure that we continue to provide funding for our troops in harm's way until Congress takes the necessary action to pass a bridge fund or a full-year war supplemental.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman speaking on the point of order or on the motion to recommit? The question is whether the point of order is well taken. If the gentleman doesn't wish to speak on the point of order, the Chair is prepared to rule.

The Chair finds that the amendment proposed in the motion to recommit exceeds the temporal ambit of the joint resolution beyond the delimiting date in section 106 of Public Law 110-92. Accordingly, the point of order is sustained, and the motion to recommit is ruled out of order.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I appeal the ruling of the Chair.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is, Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

MOTION TO TABLE OFFERED BY MR. OBEY

Mr. OBEY. Mr. Speaker, I move to table the motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to table.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the grounds that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

Pursuant to clause 8 and clause 9 of rule XX, this 15-minute vote on the motion to table will be followed by 5-minute votes on passage of the joint resolution, if arising without further debate or proceedings in recommittal.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 222, nays 194, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 1161]

YEAS—222

Abercrombie	Green, Gene	Neal (MA)
Allen	Grijalva	Oberstar
Altmire	Gutierrez	Obey
Andrews	Hall (NY)	Oliver
Arcuri	Hare	Ortiz
Baca	Harman	Pallone
Baird	Hastings (FL)	Pascarell
Baldwin	Hereth Sandlin	Pastor
Bean	Higgins	Payne
Becerra	Hill	Perlmutter
Berkley	Hinchey	Peterson (MN)
Berman	Hinojosa	Pomeroy
Berry	Hirono	Price (NC)
Bishop (GA)	Hodes	Rahall
Bishop (NY)	Holden	Rangel
Blumenauer	Holt	Reyes
Boren	Honda	Richardson
Boswell	Hoyer	Rodriguez
Boucher	Inslee	Ross
Boyd (FL)	Israel	Rothman
Boyda (KS)	Jackson (IL)	Roybal-Allard
Brady (PA)	Jackson-Lee	Ruppersberger
Braley (IA)	(TX)	Ryan (OH)
Brown, Corrine	Jefferson	Salazar
Butterfield	Johnson (GA)	Sánchez, Linda
Capps	Johnson, E. B.	T.
Capuano	Jones (OH)	Sanchez, Loretta
Cardoza	Kagen	Sarbanes
Carnahan	Kanjorski	Schakowsky
Carney	Kaptur	Schiff
Castor	Kennedy	Schwartz
Chandler	Kildee	Scott (GA)
Clarke	Kilpatrick	Scott (VA)
Clay	Kind	Serrano
Cleaver	Klein (FL)	Sestak
Clyburn	Kucinich	Shea-Porter
Cohen	Langevin	Sherman
Conyers	Lantos	Shuler
Cooper	Larsen (WA)	Sires
Costa	Larson (CT)	Skelton
Costello	Lee	Slaughter
Courtney	Levin	Smith (WA)
Cramer	Lewis (GA)	Snyder
Crowley	Lipinski	Solis
Cuellar	Loeback	Space
Cummings	Lofgren, Zoe	Spratt
Davis (AL)	Lowey	Stark
Davis (CA)	Lypak	Stupak
Davis (IL)	Mahoney (FL)	Sutton
Davis, Lincoln	Mahoney (NY)	Tanner
DeFazio	Markey	Tauscher
DeGette	Matheson	Taylor
Delahunt	Matsui	Thompson (CA)
DeLauro	McCarthy (NY)	Thompson (MS)
Dicks	McCollum (MN)	Tierney
Dingell	McDermott	Towns
Doggett	McGovern	Tsongas
Donnelly	McIntyre	Udall (CO)
Doyle	McNerney	Udall (NM)
Edwards	Meek (FL)	Van Hollen
Ellison	Meeke (NY)	Velázquez
Ellsworth	Melancon	Visclosky
Emanuel	Michaud	Walz (MN)
Engel	Miller (NC)	Wasserman
Eshoo	Miller, George	Schultz
Etheridge	Mitchell	Watson
Farr	Mollohan	Watt
Fattah	Moore (KS)	Weiner
Filner	Moore (WI)	Welch (VT)
Frank (MA)	Moran (VA)	Wexler
Giffords	Murphy (CT)	Wilson (OH)
Gillibrand	Murphy, Patrick	Woolsey
Gonzalez	Murtha	Wu
Gordon	Nadler	Wynn
Green, Al	Napolitano	Yarmuth

NAYS—194

Aderholt	Boozman	Chabot
Akin	Boustany	Coble
Alexander	Brady (TX)	Cole (OK)
Bachmann	Brown (GA)	Conaway
Bachus	Brown (SC)	Culberson
Baker	Brown-Waite,	Davis (KY)
Barrett (SC)	Ginny	Davis, David
Barrow	Buchanan	Davis, Tom
Bartlett (MD)	Burgess	Deal (GA)
Barton (TX)	Burton (IN)	Dent
Biggert	Buyer	Diaz-Balart, L.
Bilbray	Calvert	Diaz-Balart, M.
Bilirakis	Camp (MI)	Doolittle
Bishop (UT)	Campbell (CA)	Drake
Blackburn	Cannon	Dreier
Blunt	Cantor	Duncan
Boehner	Capito	Ehlers
Bonner	Carter	Emerson
Bono	Castle	English (PA)

Everett	Latham	Reynolds
Falin	LaTourette	Rogers (AL)
Feeney	Lewis (CA)	Rogers (KY)
Ferguson	Lewis (KY)	Rogers (MI)
Flake	Linder	Rohrabacher
Forbes	LoBiondo	Ros-Lehtinen
Fortenberry	Lucas	Roskam
Fossella	Lungren, Daniel	Royce
Fox	E.	Ryan (WI)
Franks (AZ)	Mack	Sali
Frelinghuysen	Manzullo	Saxton
Gallegly	Marchant	Schmidt
Garrett (NJ)	Marshall	Sensenbrenner
Gerlach	McCarthy (CA)	Sessions
Gilchrest	McCauley (TX)	Shadegg
Gingrey	McCotter	Shays
Gohmert	McCrery	Shimkus
Goode	McHenry	Shuster
Goodlatte	McHugh	Simpson
Granger	McKeon	Smith (NE)
Graves	McMorris	Smith (NJ)
Hall (TX)	Rodgers	Smith (TX)
Hastings (WA)	Miller (FL)	Souder
Hayes	Miller (MI)	Stearns
Hensarling	Moran (KS)	Sullivan
Herger	Murphy, Tim	Tancredo
Hobson	Musgrave	Terry
Hoekstra	Myrick	Thornberry
Hulshof	Neugebauer	Tiahrt
Hunter	Nunes	Tiberi
Inglis (SC)	Pearce	Turner
Issa	Pence	Upton
Johnson (IL)	Peterson (PA)	Walberg
Johnson, Sam	Petri	Walden (OR)
Jones (NC)	Pickering	Walsh (NY)
Jordan	Pitts	Wamp
Keller	Platts	Weldon (FL)
King (IA)	Poe	Weller
King (NY)	Porter	Westmoreland
Kingston	Price (GA)	Whitfield (KY)
Kirk	Pryce (OH)	Wicker
Kline (MN)	Putnam	Wilson (NM)
Knollenberg	Radanovich	Wilson (SC)
Kuhl (NY)	Ramstad	Wolf
LaHood	Rehberg	Young (AK)
Lamborn	Reichert	Young (FL)
Lampson	Renzi	

NOT VOTING—15

Ackerman	Hooley	Paul
Carson	Jindal	Regula
Crenshaw	McNulty	Rush
Cubin	Mica	Waters
Heller	Miller, Gary	Waxman

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Messrs. JOHNSON of Georgia and UDALL of Colorado changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the motion to table was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated against:

Mr. REGULA. Madam Speaker, on rollcall 1161, I was in the Chamber and trying to cast my vote as the rollcall was closed. Had I been permitted to enter my vote, I would have been recorded as “nay.”

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 12, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a facsimile copy of a letter received from Ms. Jennifer Brunner, Secretary of State, the State of Ohio, indicating that, according to the unofficial returns of the Special Election held December 11, 2007, the Honorable Robert E. Latta was elected Representative to Congress for the Fifth Congressional District, State of Ohio.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.

Enclosure.

OHIO SECRETARY OF STATE,
Columbus, Ohio, December 12, 2007.

Hon. LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. MILLER: This is to advise you that the unofficial results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, December 11, 2007, for Representative in Congress from the Fifth Congressional District of Ohio, show that Robert E. Latta received 56,387 votes of the total number of votes cast for that office.

It would appear from these unofficial results that Robert E. Latta was elected as Representative in Congress from the Fifth Congressional District of Ohio.

To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this election.

As soon as the official results are certified to this office by all 16 counties of the Fifth Congressional District involved, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

Sincerely,

JENNIFER BRUNNER.

PROVIDING FOR SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE ROBERT E. LATTA, OF OHIO, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. REGULA. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Ohio, the Honorable ROBERT E. LATTA, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 12, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a facsimile copy of a letter received from Ms. Nancy Rodrigues, Secretary, State Board of Elections, the Commonwealth of Virginia, indicating that, according to the unofficial returns of the Special Election held December 11, 2007, the Honorable Robert J. "Rob" Wittman was elected Representative to Congress for the First Congressional District, Commonwealth of Virginia.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.

Enclosure.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS,
Richmond, VA, December 12, 2007.

Hon. LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. MILLER: This is to advise you that the unofficial results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, December 11, 2007, for Representative in Congress from the First Congressional District of Virginia, show that Robert J. "Rob" Wittman received 50,079 of the total number of votes cast, 84,252 for that office.

It would appear from these unofficial results that Robert J. "Rob" Wittman was elected as Representative in Congress from the First Congressional District of Virginia.

To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this election.

As soon as the official results are certified to this office by the counties of Caroline, Essex, Fauquier, Gloucester, James City, King & Queen, King George, King William, Lancaster, Mathews, Middlesex, Northumberland, Prince William, Richmond County, Spotsylvania, Stafford, Westmoreland and York, and all or part of the cities of Fredericksburg, Hampton, Newport News, Poquoson and Williamsburg involved, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law on December 20, 2007.

Sincerely,

NANCY RODRIGUES,
Secretary.

PROVIDING FOR SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE ROBERT J. WITTMAN, OF VIRGINIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. WOLF. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Virginia, the Honorable ROBERT J. "ROB" WITTMAN, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE ROBERT E. LATTA, OF OHIO, AND THE HONORABLE ROBERT J. "ROB" WITTMAN, OF VIRGINIA, AS MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER. Will the Representatives-elect and the members of their respective delegations present themselves in the well.

Mr. LATTA and Mr. WITTMAN appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear or affirm that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. You are now Members of the 110th Congress.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE ROBERT E. LATTA TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. REGULA).

Mr. REGULA. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to introduce the newest Member of our body from Ohio, Mr. ROBERT LATTA.

There is a lot that I can say. He has an outstanding record in the Ohio legislature. He has a lot of community activities. One that I especially like is he was very active in the 4-H program, and that's something close to my heart.

But let me say, BOB, you have a wonderful legacy to uphold here. Your father served here for 30 years, an outstanding Member, Del Latta, for a few of us that still remember him well, a great Member. And then you succeed Paul Gillmor, who had 20 years of outstanding service. So the 5th District of Ohio has had 50 years as a legacy of great service. And looking at your record in the Ohio legislature, I know that you will carry on the same record of great service to the people of that district and to the State of Ohio. And I'm happy, as the senior Member, to welcome you as a new Member of this great body.

Madam Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from Ohio.

Ms. KAPTUR. I thank the gentleman.

And on behalf of our entire Buckeye delegation, and with poignancy on this occasion, during this season of new light, please let me welcome Congressman ROBERT LATTA of Wood County, Ohio, to the ranks of the 110th Congress of the United States.

I can share with our colleagues that BOB is a man who has lived the commandment, "Honor thy father and thy mother." Delbert and Rosemary must be so elated today.

BOB also has honored his in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. Vern and Carol Sloan of Williams County, such very, very good citizens. BOB's father Delbert, as RALPH has said, served dutifully for three decades in this Chamber until 1989. What a Christmas gift this swearing-in must be for the Latta and Sloan families.

BOB has been a loving husband to his gifted wife, Marcia, and a real father to his daughters, Elizabeth and Maria. I know how proud they all are today.

His public service has been exemplary, with 15 years of service in the Ohio legislature. We welcome him warmly to the ranks of the Ohio delegation. Indeed, we need his help to pull our Buckeye State forward in more than football.

Let me wish you and your family Godspeed on behalf of our entire delegation with healthy and productive years of service to our blessed Nation. Onward, and congratulations.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. LATTA).